

LLWWEMA 13th Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: February 4, 2009

Attendees: Pastor Wilson Lee, Elder Paul Lam, James Liao, David Chan and Peter Ng

- Meeting started with prayer by Elder Paul Lam
- Sichuan Earthquake Rebuild Programs
Since the 5/12/08 earthquake in Sichuan, the Torrance BOL has donated \$62,400 to the Chinese Red Cross (through the Chinese Christian Herald Crusade), \$5,000 to the World Vision, \$5,000 to the Chinese Broadcasting Center for broadcasting counseling programs, and another \$25,000 to the Beijing International Mandarin Church for the purchase and delivery of over 3,000 winter blankets to earthquake victims. Four Torrance BOL members were in Sichuan to personally give out some of the blankets. They also visited four severely damaged earthquake sites.

As a follow up program, the Torrance BOL has been working with the Beijing International Mandarin Church and the Guanghan Christian Church in Sichuan to further assist earthquake victims by offering scholarships to the poor high school students with good grades.

The LLWWEMA wants to promote this program to all member churches for them to support. The scholarship program basically gives each student 100 rmb (approximately \$15) per month to encourage them to study hard. Students need to sign receipts and correspond with sponsor families. Each Ling Liang church collects money from its sponsor families and sends it to the Treasurer of LLWWEMA who in turn sends to the Beijing International Mandarin Church.

Details of the program are being finalized and will be published in the Association website and newsletter. A written testimony by a student on this type of scholarship program in Xiamen, who is now studying for his Ph.D. in nuclear engineering at Purdue University, will help promote the scholarship program. Phone calls to Ling Liang Churches about the scholarship program will also help its promotion.

Neil Wylie or Sam Lee of Torrance BOL church may or may not lead a LLWWEMA short term mission team to Sichuan to teach English depending on team member availability. Torrance BOL is already leading a team of 30 people to Henan to teach English and American culture.

- Collaboration with Logos Evangelical Seminary (LES)

Procedure and application form are in place to offer 2 full tuition scholarships to pastors, ministers and members of Ling Liang Churches belonging to the LLWWEMA. Jimmy Chui, Treasurer of LLWWEMA, has sent \$2,500 to LES for the scholarship program with the prior agreement of this Committee. For students interested in studying full time, his first year tuition is already free because of a LES scholarship program. This collaborated scholarship program will kick in in the second year. If the scholarship fund is not used by 2010, LES can use the fund at its discretion. LLWWEMA just needs to announce this scholarship program to its member churches.

- Indonesia District Short Term Mission
Pastor Wilson Lee will be in Jakarta, Indonesia, from 5/19/09 to 5/29/09. The first part of his stay is to serve Ling Liang Churches, giving leadership training, commissioning IMAN graduate, etc. The second part is to conduct an intensive course in IMAN.

Did not receive any word from Rev. Joshua Ong regarding a BOL music team to his Tama Sari church. BOL members are already very busy going on short term and medium term mission trips.

- 2009 1st Quarter News/Prayer Letter will be published by Ron and Pauline some time in this February.
- Preparation of 14th General Assembly in September 2010
The following are tentatively decided:
Dates: 9/17/10 – 9/21/10
Opening ceremony: 9/17/10 (Friday)
Closing ceremony: 9/20/10 (Monday)
Tour: 9/21/10 (Tuesday)
Lodging: Hotel
Meetings: BOL Church of Torrance
Committees: LLWWEMA in charge of programs
Ling Liang Liaison Committee in charge of hospitality
- Meeting was closed with prayer by Pastor Wilson Lee.